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SUBJECT: UNIFIL: DECISION TO PERMIT RESUPPLY TO  
PALESTINIANS

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1. ASSISTANT SECRETARY MAYNES MET WITH UNDER-SECRETARY  
GENERAL GUYER MAY 26 TO DISCUSS UNIFIL, FRENCH PRESIDENT'S  
DISCUSSION WITH THE SYG, AND LATIN AMERICAN PARTICIPATION  
IN FORCE. GUYER CONFIRMED THE REPORT GIVEN MISSION OFFICER  
BY SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL JONAH (SEPEL) THAT AS INTERIM  
MEASURE UNNY HAS AUTHORIZED RESUPPLY OF PALESTINIAN POCKETS  
IN SOUTH LEBANON BUT THAT UN SECRETARIAT AGREES THAT UNDER  
GOL/PLO MAY 24 AGREEMENT NO UNAUTHORIZED ARMED FORCES  
SHOULD BE ALLOWED IN THE ZONE OF UNIFIL ACTIVITY. END  
SUMMARY.

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2. MAYNES REAFFIRMED WITH GUYER STRONG USG BELIEF, WHICH  
GUYER THE PREVIOUS DAY SAID UN SHARED, THAT ONLY THE  
GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON COULD DETERMINE WHICH ARMED FORCES  
WERE AUTHORIZED TO BE IN SOUTH LEBANON. IN THAT REGARD,  
MAYNES STRESSED THAT, ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THE RECENT  
GOL/PLO AGREEMENT, THERE SHOULD BE NO REPEAT NO ARMED PLO

CONTINGENTS IN THE AREA CONTROLLED BY UNIFIL. CONSEQUENTLY, ANY UN DECISION TO PERMIT SUPPLY OF SMALL PLO FORCES IN SOUTH LEBANON SHOULD BE IN THE CONTEXT OF EXPEDITING THEIR RAPID WITHDRAWAL.

3. GUYER REPLIED THAT THE UN HAD THE SAME UNDERSTANDING AND HAD INFORMED TERZI OF THIS THE DAY BEFORE. HE SAID THAT THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO UNIFIL COMMANDERS -- INSTRUCTIONS WHICH THEY NOW ACCEPTED -- STRESS THE INTERIM CHARACTER OF THE RESUPPLY AGREEMENT AND MAKE IT CLEAR THAT ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THE GOL/PLO AGREEMENT NO ARMED PALESTINIANS SHOULD REMAIN IN SOUTH LEBANON. MAYNES EXPRESSED HOPE WE WOULD MAINTAIN A COMMON UNDERSTANDING ON POINT THAT ARMED UNITS OF PLO DO NOT BELONG IN UNIFIL AREA AND URGED GUYER TO TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO BEGIN TO WORK OUT ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE PLO FOR THE RAPID WITHDRAWAL OF THE ARMED PALESTINIANS REMAINING IN SOUTHERN LEBANON. GUYER SAID HE AGREED THAT THIS WAS THE NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS. GUYER ADDED PARENTHETICALLY THAT THE FRENCH PRESIDENT AND FOREIGN MINISTER IN CALL ON WALDHEIM HAD URGED UN TO ALLOW RESUPPLY OF PALESTINIANS.

4. ASKED ABOUT OTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN THE CONVERSATION BETWEEN WALDHEIM AND GISCARD D'ESTAING, GUYER SAID THAT THE FRENCH ALSO MADE IT CLEAR TO THE SYG THAT THEY WANTED FRENCH TROOPS OUT OF TYRE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THEY DID NOT, HOW-  
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EVER, SET A SPECIFIC DATE. MAYNES REMARKED THAT ON THIS POINT SYG HAD INFORMED VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE THAT THE UN INTENDED TO WITHDRAW FROM TYRE THE DAY AFTER THE ISRAELIS LEFT SOUTHERN LEBANON, THIS DISTURBED HIM PERSONALLY BECAUSE OF EFFECT THIS TIMING COULD HAVE ON ISRAELI ATTITUDES. GUYER SAID SYG WAS SPEAKING FIGURATIVELY, AND THAT THE UN HAD NO PRECISE DATE. MAYNES REPLIED US WOULD WANT TO CONSULT WITH THE UN ON THIS PROBLEM IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY PUBLIC PERCEPTION THAT THE UN WAS EXPLOITING THE ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL TO TRIM BACK ITS MANDATE. GUYER COUNTERED THAT THE ISRAELIS THEMSELVES HAD NOT TAKEN TYRE AND THAT AN UNSTATED ASSUMPTION CONNECTED WITH THE MANDATE AND ACCEPTED BY ALL PARTIES WAS THAT THE UN AREA OF OPERATION SHOULD NOT EXTEND BEYOND AREA OF ORIGINAL ISRAELI OCCUPATION. BUT HE AGREED UN SHOULD PROCEED CAUTIOUSLY AND WOULD CONSULT.

5. IN LIGHT OF GUYER'S STATEMENT ABOUT UNIFIL AREA OF OPERATIONS, MAYNES REMINDED GUYER THAT ARAFAT HAD PROMISED SYG WALDHEIM THAT UN OBSERVERS WOULD BE ALLOWED IN THREE AREAS ABOVE THE LITANI (OR OUTSIDE THE AREA ORIGINALLY CONTROLLED BY THE ISRAELI ARMED FORCES). HE HOPED THAT

THE UN WAS NOT ABANDONING THIS COMMITMENT FROM ARAFAT. GUYER SAID, QUITE THE CONTRARY, HE WAS TAKING STEPS TO SEE THAT THIS COMMITMENT WAS IMPLEMENTED. DURING HIS VISIT TO THE MIDDLE EAST, HE HAD BEEN INFORMED BY ERSKINE THAT ARAFAT WAS REFUSING TO LIVE UP TO HIS EARLIER COMMITMENT. WHEN GUYER RAISED THIS WITH ARAFAT, HOWEVER, THE LATTER EXPRESSED SURPRISE AND SAID THAT NO ONE ON THE UN SIDE HAD APPROACHED HIM. CONSEQUENTLY, UPON HIS RETURN GUYER SAID HE CABLED GENERAL ERSKINE ASKING HIM TO APPROACH THE PLO AND TO IDENTIFY THE PLO OFFICIAL

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INVOLVED AND PRECISELY WHAT HE SAID. IF HE RECEIVES NO ANSWER BY JUNE 1, GUYER PLANS TO HAVE WALDHEIM SEND A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO ARAFAT. GUYER REMARKED THAT WHILE THE PLO IS NOT GOING BACK ON ARAFAT'S COMMITMENT TO WALDHEIM, ARAFAT DID MENTION TO GUYER THAT PLO MIGHT HAVE TROUBLE WITH ONE OF THE THREE AREAS HE PROMISED BECAUSE OF IRAQI VOLUNTEERS LOCATED THERE.

6. MAYNES NOTED TO GUYER (AN ARGENTINE) THAT ONE DISAPPOINTMENT IN UNIFIL HAS BEEN THE ABSENCE OF ANY LATIN AMERICAN CONTINGENTS. GUYER SAID HE HAD DISCUSSED THIS QUESTION WITH THE ISRAELIS IN JERUSALEM, POINTING OUT TO THEM THAT ISRAEL ENJOYED SIGNIFICANT SUPPORT AMONG

THE LATIN AMERICAN MILITARY, BUT THAT RECENT EFFORTS  
BY ISRAEL WITHIN THOSE MILITARY GROUPS TO DISCREDIT THE  
UN HAD BEEN ALL TOO SUCCESSFUL. ACCORDING TO  
GUYER, THE ISRAELIS STATED THAT THEY PLANNED TO HAVE THEIR  
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MILITARY ATTACHES IN LATIN AMERICA POINT OUT THE  
DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE UN AS A POLITICAL BODY REPRESENTED  
BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND THE UN IN ITS PEACEKEEPING  
ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL. GUYER  
URGED MAYNES TO DISCUSS UN PEACEKEEPING WITH LATIN AMERICAN  
OFFICIALS DURING IO/USUN PRE-UNGA CONSULTATIONS IN LATIN  
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